

**PENNSYLVANIA STATE POLICE
PUBLIC INFORMATION RELEASE REPORT**

1. STATION New Castle	2. CAD/CASE NO. PA2023-1283782
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3. INVESTIGATING OFFICER Trooper David NABEREZNY
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4. NATURE OF INCIDENT Criminal Homicide	5. DATE/TIME OF INCIDENT 09/30/23 / 0220-0312 hrs.
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6. LOCATION River Road at Butler Avenue, Perry Township, Lawrence County
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7. PERSON(S) INVOLVED Victim 1: Julie Anne WEGMILLER, 39 (Deceased) Corry, PA Victim 2: Edwin Fran WEGMILLER Jr., 40 Corry, PA
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8. INCIDENT DETAILS

On 09/30/23, at 0317 hrs, the Pennsylvania State Police New Castle Station was notified of a vehicle over a hillside along River Road in Perry Township near Butler Avenue. Emergency Responders discovered Julie Anne WEGMILLER deceased inside a Toyota pickup truck, partially over a hillside, with an apparent gunshot wound. Her husband, Edwin Fran WEGMILLER Jr. was discovered outside the vehicle, further over the embankment, with gunshot wounds. Edwin WEGMILLER Jr. was transported to UPMC Cranberry Hospital and then flown by medical helicopter to UPMC Presbyterian Hospital where he remains in critical condition. The Pennsylvania State Police Troop D Major Case Team responded to the scene to investigate.

*******UPDATE*******

On 10/20/23, Pennsylvania State Police filed criminal charges in Magisterial District Court 53-3-01 against Yohance MERCER-HUFFMAN, 28, in connection with the shooting of Julie Anne WEGMILLER and her husband Edwin WEGMILLER. MERCER-HUFFMAN is charged with Criminal Homicide, Criminal Attempt-Criminal Homicide, Aggravated Assault, Discharge of a Firearm into an Occupied Structure, and related firearms violations. An Arrest Warrant was issued by the court.

Anyone with information concerning MERCER-HUFFMAN'S whereabouts is requested to contact the Pennsylvania State Police, New Castle Station at (724) 598-2211.

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YOHANCE MERCER-HUFFMAN